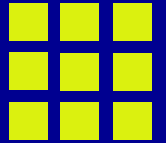




# NINE ACRES NEWS

'Striving for Excellence'

Friday 27th January 2023



Nine Acres Community Primary School, South View, Newport, Isle of Wight, PO30 1QP  
www.nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk 01983 522984 Head teacher: Mrs E. Dyer BA Hons QTS, NPOH



Dear Families of Nine Acres,

Mr Thomas led the week talking about keeping ourselves safe and recognising when things are not ok. He reminded the children of the actions of bullying both in person and online and consequences of actions towards others.

*"Bullying is defined as the repetitive, intentional harming of a person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power".*

Bullying is, therefore:

Deliberately hurtful and repeated, often over a period of time.

Chloe (Year 3) was inspired by this and went straight home to design her own

poster to proudly put up in school as a reminder. All of the children in assembly were able to share their 5 trusted people they would speak to if they had a problem both inside and outside of school and we reminded the children of the number to ChildLine: 08001111.

Our celebration assembly today reminded us of how hard work can really pay off. Romee (Year 5) has an aspiration to be a midwife when she is older. She looked at what the job involved and wrote to a midwife from our community to ask questions about the job. We were delighted to have sent

this off and today Romee received a special letter in return inspiring her to follow her dreams. If your child has an interest in a career or job in our community, let us know! We will support them in making those connections through letters, postcards and emails so they can hear from a person who they would like to follow in their footsteps. Let's show our children that anything is possible and you can have a job that you love!

You will be aware of the National Teacher Strikes happening across the country on 1st February 2023. At present Nine Acres remains open to all pupils as normal. We will of course keep you updated as we get nearer the date.

Have a lovely weekend!  
Mrs Dyer



**Why high attendance is important for education**

As a parent/carer you want the best for your children. Having a good education is an important factor in opening up more opportunities in adult life. Did you know that:

- a child who is absent a day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades of GCSE and around one third achieve no GCSEs at all
- poor examination results limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to colleges and employers that these students are unreliable



All absence at any stage leads to gaps in your child's learning. This in turn can:

- mean that they fall behind in work
- affect their motivation
- affect their enjoyment of learning
- lead to poor behaviour
- affect their ability to have or keep friendships.

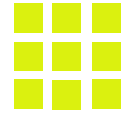
**Supporting your child's school attendance**

Good school attendance habits are best started early. Children learn from those around them and you as parents/carers set the standards and expectations for your child.

For hints, tips and advice on how you can support your child with their school attendance, check out the website: [www.iow.gov.uk/schoolattendance](http://www.iow.gov.uk/schoolattendance)

# Nine Acres Community Primary School



## Explorer Awards

### Corfe

Youxi - Science

### Biggleswade

Parker - Science

### Balmoral

Jayden - Geography

### Windsor

Lily - Science

### Arundel

Lucas - Computing

### Bamburgh

Eden - Computing  
Chloe - PSHE

### Kendal

Jensen - Science / Braxton - Music

### Warwick

Chloe - Music / Hope - Geography

### Edinburgh

Harry - Science

### Stirling

Jack - Geography

### Durham

Lucas - Arts

### York

Kyla - Geography



Well done everyone!!

# Educational Visits at Nine Acres

Friday 3rd February 2023

Year 6 Ventnor Botanic Gardens Trip

Payment due - Friday 27th January 2023



Tuesday 7th February 2023

EYFS Trip to Amazon World

Payment due - Friday 27th January 2023



Thurs 16th/Friday 17th & Thurs 23rd/Friday 24th March 2023

Year 3 Overnight Trip to the Novium Museum

Payment due - Friday 3rd March 2023

Wednesday 22nd March 2023

Year 5 Trip to London

Payment due - Monday 6th March 2023



Thursday 4th May 2023

Year 1 Marwell Zoo Trip

Payment due - Friday 24th March 2023



Wednesday 7th June 2023

Year 2 Roald Dahl Trip

Payment due - Friday 12th May 2023



Thursday 26th & Friday 27th June 2023

Year 6 Leavers Trip

Deposit Payment was due - Friday 4th November 2022

Full payment due by Monday 5th June 2023

# School Attendance

Whole school attendance target 97%.

Dates: 20/01/2022 - 26/01/2023

	Attendance	Lates
Carisbrooke:	91.79%	4
Yarmouth:	88.57%	1
Biggleswade	87.24%	1
Corfe	98.97%	2
Balmoral:	95.71%	2
Windsor:	92.59%	0
Arundel:	94.33%	7
Bamburgh:	93.00%	2
Kendal:	97.78%	0
Warwick:	92.50%	1
Edinburgh:	93.08%	2
Stirling:	95.36%	1
Durham:	98.67%	0
York:	95.93%	1

Well done CORFE CLASS!!

Whole school attendance this week is: 93.97%

## STAFF CAR PARK

Please refrain from parking in the staff car park. This car park is for staff and agreed visitors to the school. Parking permits for Chapel Street car park are available from the school office.



# HELPING HANDS PTA

Preparations for the Valentine's Disco on Thursday 9th February are well underway. Tickets are selling very well – but no need to worry that it will sell out! As this event will be children only (supervised by staff and Helping Hands committee), there is space for all!! In order to ensure space for all who want to attend there will be 2 discos ...

3.30 – 4.15pm = EYFS, Year 1 and 2

4.30 – 5.30pm = Year 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Tickets cost £1.50, which include squash, sweets and a glow stick – no spending money will be needed at the disco!



Children attending the first disco will be able to bring their party clothes and get changed after school, in class, before going to the hall accompanied by staff. Children from the first disco will leave through the EYFS doors while the KS2 children will enter and leave through the main office entrance. All KS2 children are required to be collected from the disco. Parents/carers to collect from the front playground.

*Hope to see your child there!*

PS. Keep a look out for our family quiz night, to take place nearer Easter.

Thank you for your continued support if you would like to make contact or join the PTA please email [helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:helpinghands@nineacrespri.co.uk)

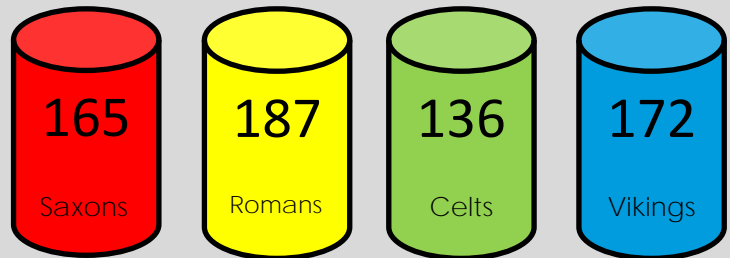


Helping Hands

## House Points Totals

Well done to **ROMANS** who received the most

House Points for this week!



## Enrichment Clubs

Our new Enrichment Club booking form for clubs being offered in Spring Term 2 2023 beginning Monday 20th February 2023 has been sent by email to families in years 1-6. Email [enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:enrichmentclubs@nineacrespri.co.uk) to book your child's places.

## Mr Toulson's Sports Bags

Each week, a child from every class is selected to take home a sports bag to use over the weekend. They can play with the equipment and design their own games making notes in the book.

Please send in your sports photos to [office@nineacrespri.co.uk](mailto:office@nineacrespri.co.uk)

## FOODBANK VOUCHERS



Many families are struggling more than ever with rising household costs and we want to be able to support you however we can. We continue to provide our families with vouchers to the Island's Food Banks. If you would like some more information or are in need of a voucher, please speak to Mr Thomas. Referrals can be made to any of the Island's Food Banks for your convenience or confidentiality. There are currently Food Banks in Newport, Freshwater, Cowes, Ryde and Shanklin.

## Menu Change - 1st Feb 2023

On Wednesday 1st February 2023 the menu will be:

Fish Fingers and Chips  
Quorn Dippers and Chips

Friday 3rd February will remain as Fish and Chips or Tomato Veggie Burger and Chips



**16-18 FEB 2023**  
**iwstoryfestival.com**  
**@ Quay Arts Newport**



**Horrible Histories' and Ghosts'**  
**Simon Farnaby**



**TICKETS**  
**quayarts.org**



Registered charity number 1198024

Geoff and Kay Banks  
 Peter Giddens  
 Chris Newnham



# SCHOOL UNIFORM

## EYFS - Year 4

### Autumn/Spring Term

School Logo White Polo Shirt (Blue for EYFS only)

Navy Blue Jumper/Cardigan with School Logo

Charcoal Grey Trousers or Grey Skirt

Grey or White Plain Ankle Socks

Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

### Summer Term

School Logo White Polo Shirt (Blue for EYFS only)

Charcoal Grey Shorts or Skirt/Blue Summer Dress

Grey or White Ankle Short Socks

Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

## Year 5 and Year 6

### Autumn/Spring Term

Navy Blue Jumper/Cardigan with School Logo

Plain White Shirt (Long or Short Sleeve)

School Tie

Charcoal Grey Trousers or Skirt

Grey or White Ankle Short Socks

Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

### Summer Term

Plain White Shirt (Short Sleeve)

School Tie

Charcoal Grey Shorts or Skirt

Grey or White Plain Short Socks

Black Sensible School Shoes - No Boots or Fashion Shoes/Trainers

## PE Kit (All Years)

Lime Green Logo Polo Shirt

Navy/Black Shorts

Trainers

White Plain Short Ankle Socks

Navy Blue or Black Tracksuit

Bottoms & a Navy hooded

top for Sports activities

Drawstring PE Bag



## UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Our Nine Acres Uniform is available from Kids and Co in Ryde. Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and PE kit and sensible black school shoes.

# Mental Health at Nine Acres

## Our Mental Health Mission Statement

We believe having a mentally healthy community is not about being happy all the time, but about working together through the challenges and sharing the celebrations; feeling supported, heard, accepted, valued and empowered.

This week we want to focus on 'the importance of healthy minds and better mental health'.

<https://www.mind.org.uk/about-us/local-minds/>



# Diary Dates

## 2022/2023



Fri 3rd Feb 2023 - Year 6 Trip to Ventnor Botanic Gardens.

Tues 7th Feb 2023 - EYFS Trip to Amazon World.

Mon 13th Feb - Fri 17th Feb 2023 - HALF TERM.

Wed 22nd Mar 2023 - Year 5 London Trip.

Fri 31st Mar 2023 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Mon 3rd April - Fri 14th April 2023 - EASTER BREAK.

Mon 1st May 2023 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.

Thurs 4th May 2023 - Year 1 Trip to Marwell Zoo.

Mon 8th May 2023 - Bank Holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III - School closed to pupils.

Tues 9th-Fri 11th May 2023 - Year 6 SATS Week.

Mon 15th-Fri 19th May 2023 - Year 2 SATS Week.

Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd June 2023 - HALF TERM.

Wed 7th June 2023 - Year 2 Roald Dahl Trip.

Friday 16th June 2023 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Thurs 26 & Fri 27th June 2023 - Year 6 Leavers Trip.

Thurs 20th July 2023 - Last day of Summer Term.

Thurs 20th July 2023 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Friday 21st July 2023 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

New dates will be added - Please check the box for **NEW** to see any added dates.

# Development Days

Friday 30 September 2022

\*\* NEW DATE - Friday 10th March 2023 \*\*

Friday 16th June 2023

Friday 21st July 2023

\*\*\* 1 more date to follow \*\*\*



# Coats & Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a warm coat in school every day and brings a named water bottle for the classroom.

One Tenth Human



RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 3-7

# CURIOUS INVESTIGATORS

"really great children's theatre"  
*Exeunt on We're Stuck!*

**TUE 4 APR, 2PM**  
**Quay Arts Centre**

Sea Street, Newport Harbour, Isle of Wight, PO30 2EF  
Book your tickets: 01983 822490 [quayarts.org](http://quayarts.org)

**BIG** BackstageTrust **ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND**

**NHS Solent NHS Trust**

## LAST CHANCE FOR FLU VACCINATION!

Has your child received their flu vaccination since Sept 2022?

If your child has not received their flu vaccination since September 2022 and it remains outstanding, please check your emails from school to access the online consent link to book into our last clinic. Alternatively contact us and we can assist you with any questions.

### flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



- 1. Protect your child**  
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications, such as bronchitis and pneumonia.
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**  
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family.
- 3. No injection needed**  
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have.
- 4. It's better than having flu**  
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record.
- 5. Avoid costs**  
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare.

For more information visit [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

**CONTACT:**  
School Aged Immunisation Team:  
0300 123 5074  
[anhs.schoolagedimmunisation@nhs.uk](mailto:anhs.schoolagedimmunisation@nhs.uk)  
[nhs.uk](http://nhs.uk)

Helping Hands - Nine Acres Primary PTA

# Valentine's Disco Children only!



**DJ HAPPY HEARTS MIX**

**Thursday 9th February 2023**  
3.30-4.15pm EYFS - Y2 children  
4.30 - 5.30pm Y3 -Y6 children

Tickets available from school office.  
Price £1.50 which includes drink, sweets and a glow stick.

**Parentkind** Member Association

# WARM WEAR CLOTHING SHOP @ NINE ACRES PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are delighted to have officially opened our Nine Acres 'Warm Weather Clothing' shop in our front entrance. The shop is open to everyone in our community. This will be run by our Heads and Deputies of School; Elspeth, Darcie, Freya and Lexi-Leigh. Thank you so much for your donations so far. Any money raised will go directly to our school led foodbank. New stock is being added weekly so come and have a browse!






# What are you doing this Half-Term?

**Swimming Lessons • Kayaking  
Skateboarding • Snorkelling  
Raft Racing • Climbing  
Sports Club • Diving • Mermaids  
Open Swim Sessions • Fun Hours**



# February Half-Term Activities

**13-19 February, 2023**



**Pick up  
a leaflet  
from  
Reception**

**West Wight**  
Sports & Community Centre

Freshwater, Isle of Wight, PO40 9XH

Tel: (01983) 752168  
[www.westwight.org.uk](http://www.westwight.org.uk)  
E-mail: [info@westwight.org.uk](mailto:info@westwight.org.uk)

Reg. Charity No. 273334



# PE DAYS

Week Commencing Monday 30th Jan 2023

All children should come to school in their PE kits on their allocated day.

## PE Days for each Year Group

- EYFS - Monday
- Year 1 - Monday
- Year 2 - Thursday
- Year 3 - Wednesday
- Year 4 - Tuesday
- Year 5 - Thursday
- Year 6 - Tuesday

Please ensure your child has the appropriate PE kit and footwear for PE lessons. Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school everyday.

Please remove all earrings before your child comes to school and ensure that long hair is tied back.



## NEW PARKING PERMITS

New parking permits are available from the school office with updated timings on to allow our Year 4/5/6 Parents/ Carers to park and drop off their children for 8.30am.



ParentPay is our only method of making payments.



Are you signed up to ParentPay? We no longer accept cash at the office. All items that require payment will be available on ParentPay:

- School Dinners
- Enrichment Clubs
- School Trips

Please ensure your account is activated as soon as possible.

# School Dinner Menu

The menu for next week will follow Week 3.

WEEK 3		W/C: 14/11 05/12 09/01 30/01 27/02 30/03		
	HOT SPECIALS...	DAILY FAVES...	PICK A PUD!	
MONDAY	<b>Tomato Pasta:</b> Fresh, succulent tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta	<b>Vegetable Chilli</b> 🌱 🌱 🌱 Served with Wholemeal Rice	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Fruity Flapjack Bar</b> 🍌
TUESDAY	<b>Chinese Chicken Noodles</b> Served with Two Vegetables	<b>Vegetable Korma</b> 🌱 Served with Wholemeal Rice	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Strawberry Ice Cream</b>
WEDNESDAY	<b>Roast Pork</b> Served with Roast Potatoes, Two Vegetables and Gravy	<b>Vegetable Pastry Roll</b> Served with Roast Potatoes, Two Vegetables and Gravy	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jelly with Fruit Slices</b> 🍌
THURSDAY	<b>Beef Bolognese</b> 🌱 🌱 Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Two Vegetables	<b>Vegetarian Cottage Pie</b> 🌱 🌱 Served with Two Vegetables and Gravy	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Chocolate Shortbread</b>
FRIDAY	<b>Fish Fingers</b> Served with Chips	<b>Tomato Veggie Burger</b> 🌱 Served with Chips	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Crispy Crackle Bar</b>

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Have your circumstances changed? Could you now be entitled to Free School Meals?

To apply online please go to:  
[www.iow.gov.uk/council/OtherServices/Free-School-Meals/Key-Stage-1-and-2](http://www.iow.gov.uk/council/OtherServices/Free-School-Meals/Key-Stage-1-and-2)

# Go Read!!



At Nine Acres we use the Go Read app to log our reading. It is an expectation that all children in Years EYFS – 6 should be reading at home at least 3 times a week. Please record your child's reading using the GO READ app.